

### Placing Mr. C. E. Rama Rao on Special Duty.

ORDER No. O. 1976-82—O. E. 65-23-1, DATED 4TH MARCH 1924.

Mr C. E. Rama Rao, B. A., Registrar, General and Revenue Secretariat, is placed special duty from the 5th to the 15th March 1924 in connection with the arrangements for holding the inaugural meeting of the Representative Assembly and the Legislative Council at Mysore. The Special Duty Officer will work under the orders of the Secretary to the Representative Assembly and Legislative Council.

The Deputy Commissioner, Mysore District, the President, Mysore City Municipal Council, and the Executive Engineer, Mysore Division, are requested to render all possible help to the Special Duty Officer.

K. MATTHAN,  
Chief Secretary to Government.

### Report on the Krishnarajasagara and Allied Works.

Order No. 1143—K. S. S., dated the 6th December 1923, from the Special Officer, Krishnarajasagara Works, submitting the Administration Report on the working of the Krishnarajasagara and allied works for the year 1922-23.

ORDER No. G. 12347-52—G. M. 141-23-3, DATED 4TH MARCH 1924.

In S. Cudambi held the administrative charge of the Krishnarajasagara Works throughout the year except for a period of two months from 1st January 1923, when the work was in the charge of the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

*Total grant and outlay.*—The total grant for the year under all heads was Rs. 22,309 and the total outlay was Rs. 3,93,624. This includes capital expenditure on working expenses on account of the Krishnarajasagara (Rs. 7,34,423 and Rs. 465 respectively), expenditure on Irrigation chargeable to Revenue (Rs. 16,048), expenditure under Irrigation Cess Fund, District Fund and other sources (Rs. 1,01,641).

*Krishnarajasagara Works.*—The final grant on account of capital expenditure exclusive of charges for establishment and tools and plant, was Rs. 6,44,624 and the outlay was Rs. 6,22,840. Rupees 5,35,904 were spent on the Dam Construction work, bringing the total outlay on the work to Rs. 1,61,97,104. The total revised estimate of the Dam Works now under consideration of Government is Rs. 215.17 lakhs.

The work remaining to be done thus amounts to about 53 lakhs. During the year masonry on the dam was extended by 400 feet towards the north making a length of 6,500 feet. It was brought to a uniform level of 107 above bed level in the gap of the river which was left at eighty feet. An expenditure of Rs. 27,452 was incurred on works connected with the permanent waste weir. All operations were continued to be conducted on the Cauvery at the Upper and the three standard stations above the Krishnarajasagara and at Dhanagere. Observations were conducted at Guindy and Devaray. Final discharge state-ments and curves were arrived at after the gauging observations were jointly examined by Madras and Mysore Executive Engineers in charge of gauging operations. Negotiations with the Madras Government in the matter of the completion of the stage of the Reservoir made satisfactory progress during the year and an agreement, bringing all outstanding questions to a settlement has just been concluded between the two Governments. The important subsidiary works completed during the year were the construction of the new bridge over the Lakshminathirtha river and draining of the Lalanahalli and Doranahalli tanks for cultivation.

*Acquisition work.*—94.5 acre of land and 62 houses were acquired. It was found that 17.8 acres of land to be acquired to complete the acquisition for the project. The Government expressed their disappointment at the meagre work turned

5. *Channel works.*—Works costing Rs. 53,254 were executed in respect of Right and Left Banks Low Level Channels. Out of 4,500 acres of irrigable land below these channels, an extent of 3,900 acres has been brought under cultivation. On the Chamaraj, Right Bank, Mandagere, and Hemagiri Channels, most of the complete works were completed. Practically the whole extent under the Hemagiri Channel extension has been brought under irrigation. Under the Chamaraj Right Bank and Mandagere Channels, out of the extent of 19,400 acres commanded, an extent of 13,153 acres has been brought under irrigation. The Survey work in respect of High Level Canal has been completed.

6. *Repairs.*—*Irrigation Cass Fund.*—The expenditure was Rs. 89,025 against the total grant of Rs. 88,905. Besides the usual annual repair of channels, the Ramparamesvari Channel was improved, two cart bridges were constructed across Chik Devaroy Sagara Channel, the Madhvanantri anicut was repaired and damaged wing wall of the aqueduct at the 28th mile of the Ramaswami channel was repaired.

7. *Establishment.*—The establishment charges amounted to Rs. 1,45,474, percentage to works being 19.3 against 20.9 in the previous year.

*General.*—During the year, the floods in the Cauvery were moderate. Discharge over the temporary weir gap began on 10th July, 1922, and the reservoir kept surplus water off and on till the middle of November, 1922. The requirements of the Power Works at Sivasamudram and the two low level canals were fully met and the regulation of water due to Madras was maintained correctly. The response from the raiyats in respect of the hot weather supply to areas not entitled to hot weather irrigation was very disappointing. Cases of surreptitious use of channel water for growing manurial crops and encroachment on channel reserves should be promptly dealt with by the Revenue Department and the delinquents suitably punished. Government are glad to note that the water supply in the old as well as in the new channels was maintained satisfactorily and that the few complaints that were made were readily redressed. There is yet a considerable extent of irrigable lands under the new channels remaining to be brought under irrigation. Government trust the strenuous efforts will be made to bring them under irrigation with the least possible delay. The submission of the schemes for bringing fresh areas under irrigation should be expedited.

9. Government desire to record their appreciation of the work of Rajasabha bhushana Mr. Cadambi, both as Chief Engineer and Secretary to Government, for a period of about six years, and also of his work as Special Officer and ex-officio Secretary to Government Krishnarajasagara.

K. MATTHAN,

Chief Secretary to Government.

## REVENUE SECRETARIT.

### Prospecting licenses for chrome.

READ—

Government Order No. T. C. 4728-34—Geol. 47-22-8 dated the 29th January 1924 directing that Iron ore, limestone, dolomite, manganese and chrome ores be reserved throughout the State.

ORDER No. T. C. 5146-57—Geol. 73-23-1, DATED 26TH FEBRUARY 1924.

In view of the fact that there is a considerable extent of private enterprise coming forward for the exploitation of chrome on account of the large outside demand for it and that Government have no scheme ready for the immediate utilization of this mineral by them, Government consider that the restrictions in respect of the reservation of this mineral may be somewhat relaxed. They are accordingly pleased to direct that prospecting licenses for chrome may be granted to